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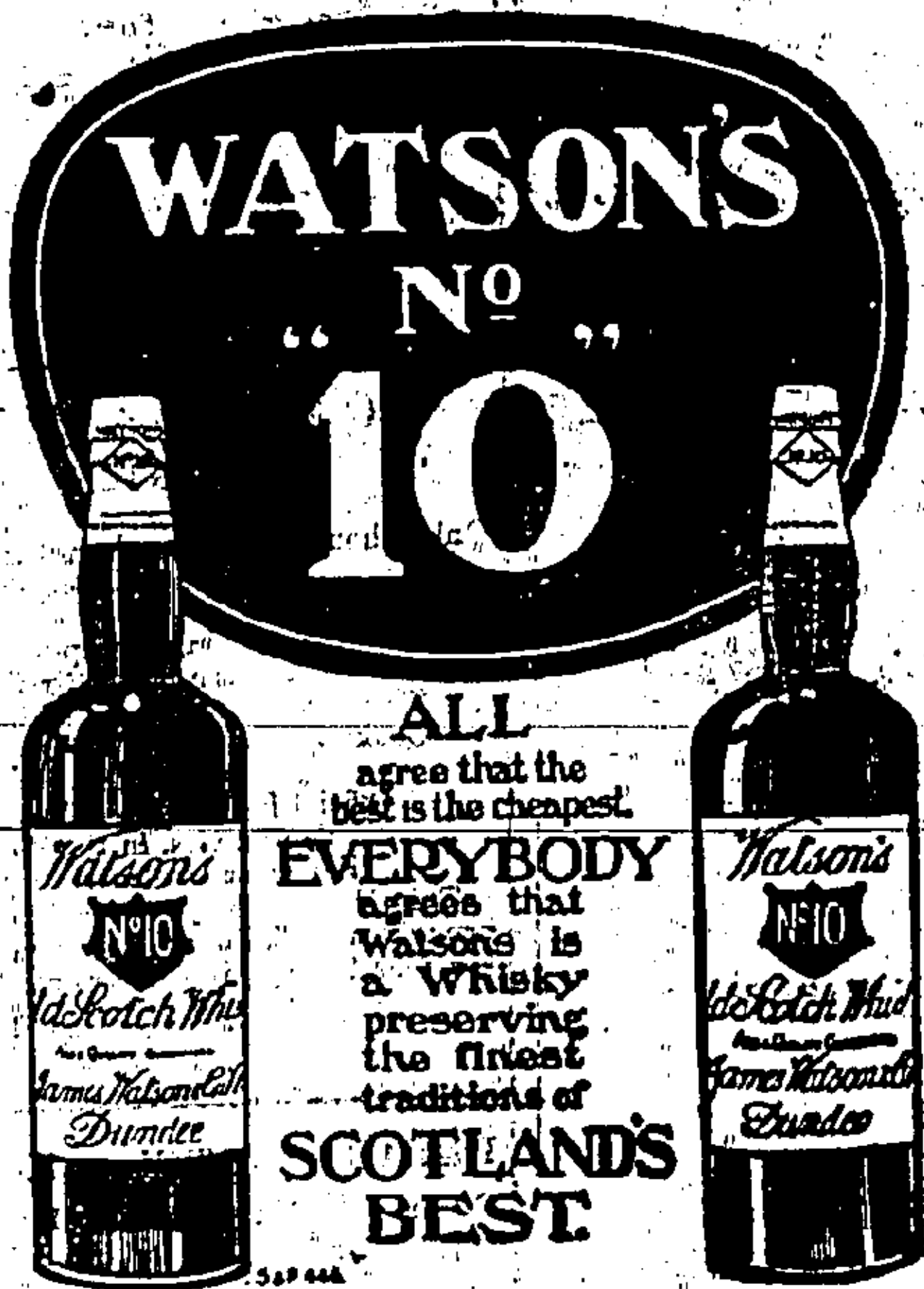
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THE DRUG TRAFFIC IN CHINA.

ENORMOUS QUANTITY OF MORPHIA
AND OPIUM BURNED.

On Saturday, December 30th, 1922, the General Secretary of the International Anti-Opium Association at Peking witnessed the burning of opium, morphia, smoking pipes, lamps, etc., at the Temple of Agriculture. The quantity was enormous and greatly exceeded all the previous burnings of the year, being valued at more than \$200,000.

The extensive array of tables, boxes, trunks, suit cases, sacks, and bags certainly gave evidence of vigilance on the part of the Metropolitan Police and Gendarmerie during the past few months. The police must have rounded up a great many shops, for there were many hundreds of new opium pipes, lamps, bowls and opium containers, while used pipes were there literally in thousands, all of them of the ordinary cheap variety.

The burning differed from previous ones in that the amount of opium was comparatively small, while the quantity of morphia and morphia pills was enormous. Morphia mixed with white flour for the making of chintan pills was there by the sack full. Some idea of the work of the police may be gained by a report of the seizures:—

- 1.—1,162 bags and parcels containing nearly 24,000 ounces of opium.
- 2.—1,312 bags, boxes and parcels of morphia and morphia pills. These morphia pills were mostly put up in white cotton bags each containing 10,000 pills.
- 3.—12,888 ounces of morphia, heroin and chintan powder.
- 4.—Smoking paraphernalia and morphia instruments—18,720 articles.

It would be impossible to estimate the relation of the amounts seized to the undetected mass, but it is not likely to be more than one-tenth. As many of these seizures are made at the railway stations it may not be inferred that Peking was the sole destination, and the police reports confirm what has long been known—that the Chinese are not alone in this illicit traffic. On one occasion an Italian was arrested at Peking East Station with 315 ounces of opium in his possession, and on another a Russian woman with 312 ounces.

The General Secretary of the Anti-Opium Association suggests that the police should employ a doctor or pharmacist to separate narcotics from useful drugs, when a big seizure is made. On Saturday at his suggestion a large quantity of stychnine crystals in bottles, manufactured by a reputable British firm was saved and sent to charitable hospitals. This drug is very expensive and is the very opposite to a narcotic. Several pounds of citrate of caffeine, and some quinine were retrieved.

The police and gendarmerie reports show that 1,856 persons were arrested in connection with these seizures, and if the penalties provided by the Chinese Criminal Code were even partially imposed a wholesome deterrent must have been established.

DARING BANK ROBBERY AT TSINGTAO.

THREE CHINESE GET AWAY WITH
\$17,000.

A daring daylight highway robbery was committed at Tsingtao on December 30th, immediately outside the Railway Administration building. The following account by the correspondent of the N.C. Daily News:—

A motor-car in charge of a Japanese clerk named Okano and two Chinese drivers was conveying cash amounting to \$17,000 to the Yokohama Specie Bank, and immediately after leaving the gate of the railway offices, a handcart was pushed in front of the car, and three Chinese robbers held up the occupants with revolvers.

The Chinese assistant driver was thrown off the car, and Mr. Okano was threatened by two of the robbers and told to clear off. The driver was retained to handle the car, and was ordered to proceed to a place near the Middle School. Here, one of the robbers got out, taking with him all the paper and silver dollars. The driver was forced to go on to the foreign cemetery, where the other two men decamped with the copper and small money.

Meantime, the Japanese assistant had reported the matter at the Railway Administration offices, and the news was telephoned to police stations at various points, but up to the present no trace of the thieves has been found.

CIVIL WAR IN CHINA.

The Peking and Tientsin Times lately has been publishing some amusing verse under the title of "A Child's Primer of Things Chinese." The following lines on "Civil War" have a topical interest just now in South China:

Now here, my Child's, a how-do-do!
Watch Wang-to-tan and Hu-Ar-Yu,
As-comp-ned by ten thousand men,
March up the hill and down a-gain.
For this, my Child, is Civil War:
In which the Viet-or can not score;
And things will be much as before.
Save that the rail-ways can not run;
While Band-its have a lot of fun,
And coal a fort-une costs per ton!
Ah, yes, my Child, 'tis fought in vain.
The bat-tle's "cal-led" be-cause of rain;
And if the Gen-ral has a pain,
He send an Aide quick to ex-plain.
The cir-cum-stance unto his foe:
Who promptly rides ten mil-lies or so,
To offer his true sym-pa-thy.
And ask just when the fight will be.
From this de-scrip-tion you may well
Be-lieve what Sher-man once cal-led hell,
Be-comes a pic-nic in a dell!

A SHANGHAI LOVE TANGLE.

SHANGHAI INTRIGUE AND ITS
SEQUEL.

Passionate love letters read before Mr. Justice Horridge recently supplied the explanation for the failure of a Shanghai marriage. A *deux* *vis* was sought by Mr. Fredk. W. Melville, chief sanitary inspector at Shanghai, who cited as co-respondent Mr. Geo. Matchum, connected with the Shanghai police. The wedding took place in 1917 at the British Consulate, Shanghai, and there was one child. From the beginning of August, 1921, stated Mr. Melville, he and his wife occupied separate rooms, as his suspicions were aroused. He found several letters addressed to her signed "George," and when he spoke about it she admitted she cared for the man, and that they would marry as soon as they could.

Later in the same month witness and two friends kept watch on a house in Carter Road, Shanghai, and at nine o'clock at night he and respondent entered. A little later he and respondent went upstairs with their arms around each other's necks. On August 10th his wife handed him a letter containing a confession of her misconduct, and he then informed her he would take divorce proceedings. Further watching revealed that co-respondent was visiting Mrs. Melville. On August 25th, the latter telephoned witness from Vancouver Lodge, Shanghai, where she lived, asking him to take care of the child while she went up country with Matchum. Petitioner declined, and on her return she acknowledged having been with co-respondent. In letters to Mrs. Melville, Matchum wrote:—

My own darling—I am afraid, darling, that such love as I have I cannot express in a letter. Why not wait until I can show it?

Cheerio, my darling!—With all my devoted love and kisses, always yours, George.

My darling girl!—How is my sweet heart this morning? I feel just perfect—as fit as a fiddle. What a glorious evening, dear, and if my darling enjoyed it as much as I did I am quite happy. I appreciated the great gift you gave me. I love you a hundred-fold more every day—today more than yesterday, and to-morrow more than today. Without you life would be a blank, and too horrible to contemplate. I am just longing for you to come this evening. Don't be late, sweetheart. Come along happy and smiling. I love you better than anything on earth. Au revoir.—Your devoted sweetheart.

To her husband the wife wrote:—
Dear Fred—I do not really think I can come to you any longer, when I tell you there is someone else I love far more than you. You know our married-life has not been happy. We (she and co-respondent) are everything to each other, and he wants to marry me as soon as possible. I hate to tell you all this, but it is better you should know the situation. Hoping you will not think too unkindly of me. Yours affectionately, Ada.

After hearing evidence taken abroad on commission, Mr. Justice Horridge granted a *decre* *nisi* with costs.

PASSAGES HOME.

The following comment is from the N.C. Daily News:—

Mr. Justice Gompertz in Hongkong has just issued a decision likely to prove of first-rate importance to a large number of firms and employees in the Far East. The point of law, in the case, was whether a man having completed an agreement with one firm in Hongkong and then having joined a rival firm, was entitled to the amount of his passage home. It was a case in which Indians and Indian firms were concerned, and a verbal agreement for a return passage to India at the expiration of the agreement was proved. At the end of the agreement, however, the employee did not choose to return, but on the other hand joined the rival firm in question. On his doing so, the employers sued him for money advanced as a loan, and the employee counter-claimed for the cost of his passage. On this counter-claim his Lordship held that a man was certainly allowed a passage, and he admitted the cost of a third-class passage as a set-off against the employer's claim. This would seem to establish a principle not hitherto generally recognized among law people here, however much the lawyers may have known about it. We are fairly safe in stating that the average firm was that when a man joined another firm he forfeited his claim to a passage (which, of course, he would not want at the time) or to its cash equivalent, but here would seem to be ground for believing that he can with every prospect of success lay claim to the latter, so long as there was the original stipulation regarding it. Provided the Statute of Limitations has not been too much in evidence, there may be grounds here for quite a number of interesting claims.

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and Godown Company, Limited, where delivery may be

obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods

remaining undelivered after the 18th of

January, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 18th inst., at 10 a.m., by

Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

(NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.)

FROM NEW YORK AND YOKOHAMA.

THE S.S. "GOTHIC PRINCE"

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their goods are being landed at their risk in

the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,

Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and

expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on 17th inst., 1923, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within 15

days of the steamer's arrival here, after which

date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after the 18th inst., 1923, will

be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified

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Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can

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wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery

from Godown on and after 15th January.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice

has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays

between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon,

within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Steamer's Godown, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th Jan.

will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be pre-

sented to the Underwriter on or before the

1st Feb., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1923. [124]

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SAID, ADEEN, COLOMBO,

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their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong &

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kow-

loon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery

may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless

notice to the contrary be given before 12th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after the 18th inst. will be

subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-

sented to the Underwriter on or before the

25th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to

be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 18th inst., at 10 a.m., by

Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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DAIRY FARM NEWS.

ICE CREAM.

THE NEW YEAR MOTOR SMASH.

WHY THE MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE WAS DROPPED.

The driver of the car, No. 118, in which Lieut. Commander Hooper, R.N., was killed on New Year's Night, and the driver of car No. 46, which overtook the deceased's car at Causeway Bay, were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Magistrate's, yesterday, not to exceed, with exceeding the speed limit and with reckless driving.

The driver of car No. 118 was Tai Fat, and the driver of car No. 46 was Ting Mow.

Ting Mow pleaded guilty to the charge of speeding, but denied the charge of reckless driving and said that he was urged to speed by his passengers.

Tai Fat pleaded guilty to both charges. Mr. T. M. Hasleridge, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuting, said that he was prepared to accept the defendants' pleas. In the interests of the Crown he was not seeking to penalise the defendants on account of the fatality that happened but for a breach of the traffic regulations. The Enquiry having been published in the local Press it would be quite impossible for the Crown to overlook what appeared to be grave breaches of the traffic regulations. He would like to ask his Worship to impose the ordinary fine, and disassociate himself in his mind from the lamentable accident which occurred on the night in question.

He would also like to refer to the duty of the Crown with regard to the verdict of manslaughter which the Coroner's Jury returned against both defendants. It was incumbent on the Attorney-General to come to a decision as to whether they could be indicted. As regards car No. 46, there was strong evidence in the case that the driver of this car passed the other car at lateral distances and that it was ahead at the time of approaching the curve. There was no clear evidence that his driving, or the course he took, was such as to jeopardise the other car. Under the circumstances his passing of the other car was not the immediate cause of the accident, and certainly did not render the accident inevitable.

As regards car No. 118, when the driver was in the control area he was travelling at a speed estimated between 20 and 30 miles per hour, and that when the other car drew almost abreast of him, he increased his speed with a view to not allowing the other car to pass. Apparently this speeding would be the cause which led up to the accident, but there seemed to be strong ground for the argument that it did not render the accident inevitable. The actual and final cause would appear to be an error of judgment by the driver of No. 118 as to the relative speeds of the two cars which were travelling at a considerable pace, and probably of the distances of the cars as well as to the driver's own position. The driver was probably distracted by the other car, passing him. One thing which added to the error of judgment was the admittedly boisterous conduct of the passengers of the car; they were undoubtedly behaving in a manner which was distracting to the driver at the time when he needed full control of all his faculties. The Crown felt that there could be no reasonable anticipation that a Jury would bring in a verdict of manslaughter against the drivers.

As regards the speeds of the defendants' cars, Mr. Hasleridge proceeded to say that the driver of car No. 118, said at the Enquiry that he estimated his speed to be 20 miles per hour when he was passing Ah King's slipway, which was in the control area, and he admitted increasing that speed. The driver of No. 46 admitted going at a speed of 24 miles per hour. With regard to the defendants' pleas that they were urged to speed, there was evidence at the Enquiry that the occupants of car No. 118 were behaving in a manner, which, at all events, the driver might reasonably believe, was intended as urging him to increase his speed. His Worship would therefore take that into consideration in considering the penalty.

As regards car No. 46, there was not a tithe of evidence at the Enquiry that the passengers in that car had urged their driver to speed during the night. It was not suggested by the driver at the Enquiry when he had the chance of doing so.

In reply to the Magistrate, the Assistant Crown Solicitor said the first time this statement was made was that morning. The Assistant Crown Solicitor concluded by saying that these proceedings were brought on, warning to other drivers that they could not speed. Speeding was dangerous, as motor vehicles were rapidly increasing in Hong Kong. In the defendants' interests he pointed out that the defendants had been in the cells for four days.

Inspector Garratt produced the defendants' records. Ting Mow (driver of car No. 46) had a clear record for over 5 years. He was fined \$300 for speeding. The other charge against him of reckless driving was withdrawn. Tai Fat, who had a previous conviction in April last for reckless driving on Queen's Road West, was fined \$25 on each charge.

SUPREME COURT.

EXCHANGE CONTRACT CASE.

At the Supreme Court yesterday morning before the Chief Justice (Sir William Roca Davies), the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China sued the South China Trading Co., of 74, Queen's Road Central, for the sum of \$3,113.77, being money due on an exchange contract.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin instructed by Deacon, Harston, and Shenton, appeared for the plaintiffs. Defendants failed to attend and were not represented.

Mr. Jenkin explained that, on June 30th, 1931, defendants contracted to purchase and take delivery of £10,000 at Exchange 5/64, within one year. Defendants failed to take delivery, and the plaintiffs were therefore claiming damages. The sum claimed was made up of the difference between contract price and market price on June 30th, 1932, \$3,067.97, and stamp duty of \$15.90, making the total of \$3,113.77.

Judgment was given for plaintiffs.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

SEQUEL TO RECKLESS SPENDING OF A LEGACY.

A Bankruptcy Court was held at the Law Courts yesterday morning, the Chief Justice (Sir William Roca Davies) presiding.

The first case was that of George Hughes Keble. The Official Receiver said that the debtor's liabilities were \$20,000, and his assets were \$1,000 in cash, and securities worth between \$400 and \$500. The debtor was in employment as assistant comptroller to the S.S. *Honom* at a salary of \$120 a month, and had expressed his willingness to pay in monthly instalments of \$30. He had only two known creditors. It seemed that he had had a large sum of money left him, and had run through it recklessly, though there was some doubt as to whether he had spent as much as he alleged.

Debtor was allowed to re-pay in the manner stated.

THE GREENFIELD CASE.

The case was also to have been heard of, Samuel Greenfield, against whom a receiving order was recently made on a creditors' petition.

On behalf of the creditors, the Official Receiver applied for an adjournment of the public examination. He said that Mr. C. G. Alabaster wished to appear on behalf of some of the creditors, and would like a whole day fixed for the hearing. He (the Official Receiver) would prefer that a trustee be appointed, and said that the creditors had nominated Mr. S. H. Ross, of Messrs. Percy Smith, Smith, and Fleming in that capacity. A bond of \$10,000 would be asked for.

His Lordship agreed to the appointment of Mr. Ross as trustee, and to the \$10,000 bond, fixing the public examination date for Monday, January 29th.

A STORY OF TWO \$500 BANK BILLS.

FATHER CHARGES YOUNG SON WITH THEFT.

At the Magistrate's, yesterday morning, a story was mentioned before Mr. J. H. Wood, relating to the theft of two \$500 bank notes, which were alleged to have been stolen by a small Chinese boy from his father's safe, during the latter's absence in the country. The story is a complicated affair and in addition to the boy, being charged with theft, another small boy and three other men were charged with either receiving one of the other or both of the notes at various times since they had been stolen.

Mr. H. K. Holmes, the Crown Solicitor, appeared to prosecute.

The son pleaded guilty to the charge of theft and the father gave evidence against him.

The Magistrate said the boy was complainant's own son and asked the complainant what he wished him to do in the matter.

The Crown Solicitor said that in view of the fact that the boy had pleaded guilty, he suggested that he be released and charged.

The Magistrate agreed and ordered the father to give the boy a beating in the presence of a Police Officer.

The other boy in the case, a nephew of the defendant and the three men were then called separately, and in each case they were remanded until Wednesday next, when the case will come up for hearing.

AMERICAN SAILORS WHO LOST THEIR PAPERS.

SEQUEL: THE HOUSE OF DETENTION.

The case of two American sailors, named Edward Millican and Charles Carlson, was heard before Mr. Wood at the Magistrate's yesterday. They were charged with having no employment and no visible means of support.

SPORT.

GOLF.

MARRIED & SINGLE.

The results of the match played at Faelling on Sunday was as follows:

MORNING.

Married	Single	M. S.
A. B. Stewart	Lt. Lake, R.N.	1 0
H. B. Buckland	R. A. Camidge	0 1
Major Gandy	Capt. Cumming	1 0
E. J. R. Mitchell	Lt. W. D. Bacon	1 0
H. B. Ross	H. U. Ireland	1 0
J. L. Crockett	Capt. Bloxham	1 0
W. Galloway	C. Johnson	0 0
W. Adamson	T. C. Bennett	0 1
E. Davidson	J. M. Walker	0 1
R. E. Lindell	R. Bruce	0 1
Major J. R. Lloyd	F. S. Harrison	0 1
C. C. Stark	R. Moncrieff	0 1
F. A. Redmond	M. H. Turner	1 0
J. W. Franks	H. W. Roger	1 0
C. S. Morrison	J. Brister	0 1
H. W. Kent	D. J. Cuthill	0 1

Total 9 6

Afternoon.

Married	Single	M. S.
A. B. Stewart	Lt. Lake, R.N.	1 0
H. B. Buckland	R. A. Camidge	0 1
Major Gandy	Capt. Cumming	1 0
E. J. R. Mitchell	Lt. W. D. Bacon	1 0
J. B. Ross	H. U. Ireland	0 1
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C. S. Morrison	J. Brister	0 1
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Total 3 3

(Morning) 9 6

Grand total 12 9

The Married thus won by 3 points.

For the Married—Messrs. Stewart, Gandy, Mitchell, Redmond, and Franks won both their matches.

For the Single—Messrs. Walker, Bruce and Moncrieff won both their matches.

—1 up.

INTERPORT GOLF.

SHANGHAI'S PROBABLE TEAM.

The Sports writer of the N. D. Daily writes:

It is hoped to play the interport golf match against Hongkong at China New Year, and Shanghai's team will probably leave for the south February 12th. So far the local side has not been definitely decided upon, the form of certain possible players is still being carefully canvassed.

A man may be among the leaders on his own course, one which he knows thoroughly, but put him on strange links and very often he fails. This feature has presented itself in a strong light to the Golf Club Committee, and steps have been taken to test, as far as that is possible, the capabilities of certain men when away from familiar surroundings. One or two have accordingly been invited to play at Hungjiao, and it is satisfactory to know that in at least one case the experiment has worked with marked success.

The player in question proving himself quite at home under the different conditions there.

The work of selection has gone so far that the Committee have eight men in contemplation from whom the final choice will probably be made. So far, however, it is not certain that all of these can get away, but the Committee are hoping for the best. Probably they can go the first four will be J. B. Ferrier, the Rev. W. D. Roberts, Capt. E. J. M. Barrer and D. T. Beath. Unfortunately neither P. Pebles nor K. M. Cumming will be able to take part in the match, and this makes the matter of selecting the two remaining players and the reserve one of no little difficulty. It would seem to lie between Capt. J. Dewar, H. R. Malcolm, W. J. Hawkins and C. W. Porter. The form at present being shown by Malcolm is very good indeed, and may very easily make his place a certainty.

As regards the chances of the team, it is difficult to say anything very illuminating. Hongkong this year is without the services of Major Bagnall, but is strongly represented in men such as A. B. Stewart, T. W. Hill, H. B. Buckland, E. J. R. Mitchell, R. M. Smith, Capt. Cumming, and so on. A visiting team will require to be on the top of its form to defeat that combination.

TRICKSTER AT WORK.

FIRMS DECEIVED BY AN OLD TRICK.

During the week-end, two Chinese clothing shops have been deceived by the same kind of trick. The Police are of the opinion that the deceptions are the work of the same man. On Saturday, a man called as No. 33, Queen's Road Central, and bargained for a piece of cloth. He asked the manager to deliver ten rolls of the material to a certain address when payment would be made. A faki was sent out with the cloth, but sometime later returned saying that he was met at the door by two other men who took the cloth from him and asked him to wait whilst they went inside and got the money. They never returned.

In the other case, Ho Tin Chai, of No. 44, Wing Lok Street, has reported a man came into his shop and bargained for a piece of cloth. The price finally agreed upon was \$30. The faki was sent with him upon \$30. The faki was sent with him upon \$30. The faki was sent with him upon \$30.

There they were joined by two other men who took the cloth from the faki and said they would return with the money. The faki came back in the other case, they failed to do so.

THE BUILDING CARPENTERS' DISPUTE.

TERMS OF THE SETTLEMENT.

We have received from the Secretary for Chinese Affairs the following translation of the terms of the settlement:

"With reference to the application of the Building Carpenters for increased wages."

"The Representatives of the Building Carpenters' Association and the Building Contractors' Commercial Association have agreed in the presence of the Hon. Director of Public Works as follows:

(1)—The increase of wages shall date from the 1st day of the 11th moon this year (Chinese).

(2)—The rate of wages shall be \$1.15 a day, workmen to provide their own food.

(3)—When any workman is to be engaged, he shall be first taken on trial for 3 days. The masters shall have the option of engagement or dismissal after trial, but the workman must be paid full pay for the 3 days.

(4)—One hour shall be allowed for him and half an hour for tea (rest). Any time taken in excess of this arrangement shall be made good by the workmen at the end of the day's work.

Signatures of—

Full power Representatives of the masters:

LAM LIT of the Shang Li, TAM SHU HONG.

Full power Representatives of the workmen:

Wong Sui, Tsoi Yui.

(sd) T. L. PAKING, Director of Public Work.

(sd) H. W. BIRD, S.S.

(sd) W. LAUGHTON LEASE.

(sd) E. B. HALLIDAY, S.C.A.

Dated 15th day of January, 1933

THE CANTON SITUATION.

SIX THOUSAND MORE TROOPS ARRIVE FROM SWATOW.

PRESS GANGS AT WORK.

During the week-end about six thousand more troops are stated to have arrived from Swatow, and press gangs from among them have been going around the town impressing any coolies they can find for the carrying of baggage and stores to Fatahan which is their next destination. As a result the river steamers have practically ceased to carry cargo to Canton, for the labour cannot be found at that end of the journey to do the unloading.

THE CHINESE GAME OF SHUTTLECOCK.

MAGISTRATE AND THE D.S.P.

Two boys were charged before Mr. Lindell yesterday morning with playing shuttlecock in the street. When the case was called the boys were missing and Inspector Cashman asked for their bail of \$5 to be returned.

The Magistrate asked why they had to deposit \$5 instead of the usual \$2.

Inspector Cashman: The Deputy Superintendent of Police is complaining about the annoyance.

The Magistrate: I don't care. It is a trivial offence.

This Worship added that it would have to be proved that these boys were annoying passers-by, or that they were annoying residents. It was no offence to play the game in the street. He asked the Inspector that in future cases to fix bail at \$2. He considered \$5 excessive.

Inspector Cashman: Your Worship, even though the bail is \$2, we are not sure of their attendance. That does not make the least difference. Small boys are always frightened.

ANOTHER FATAL MOTOR-CAR ACCIDENT.

WOMAN KILLED.

On Sunday evening a motor-car knocked down a Chinese woman near the junction of the Leuchok Road and the Tai-po Road. The woman sustained shocking injuries to her body and died shortly after admission to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

The motor-car was No. 722, owned and driven by Mr. K. C. Tregillus, of No. 10, Peace Avenue, Homantin.

A BANGKOK COUNTERFEIT NOTE CASE.

NOTE CASE.

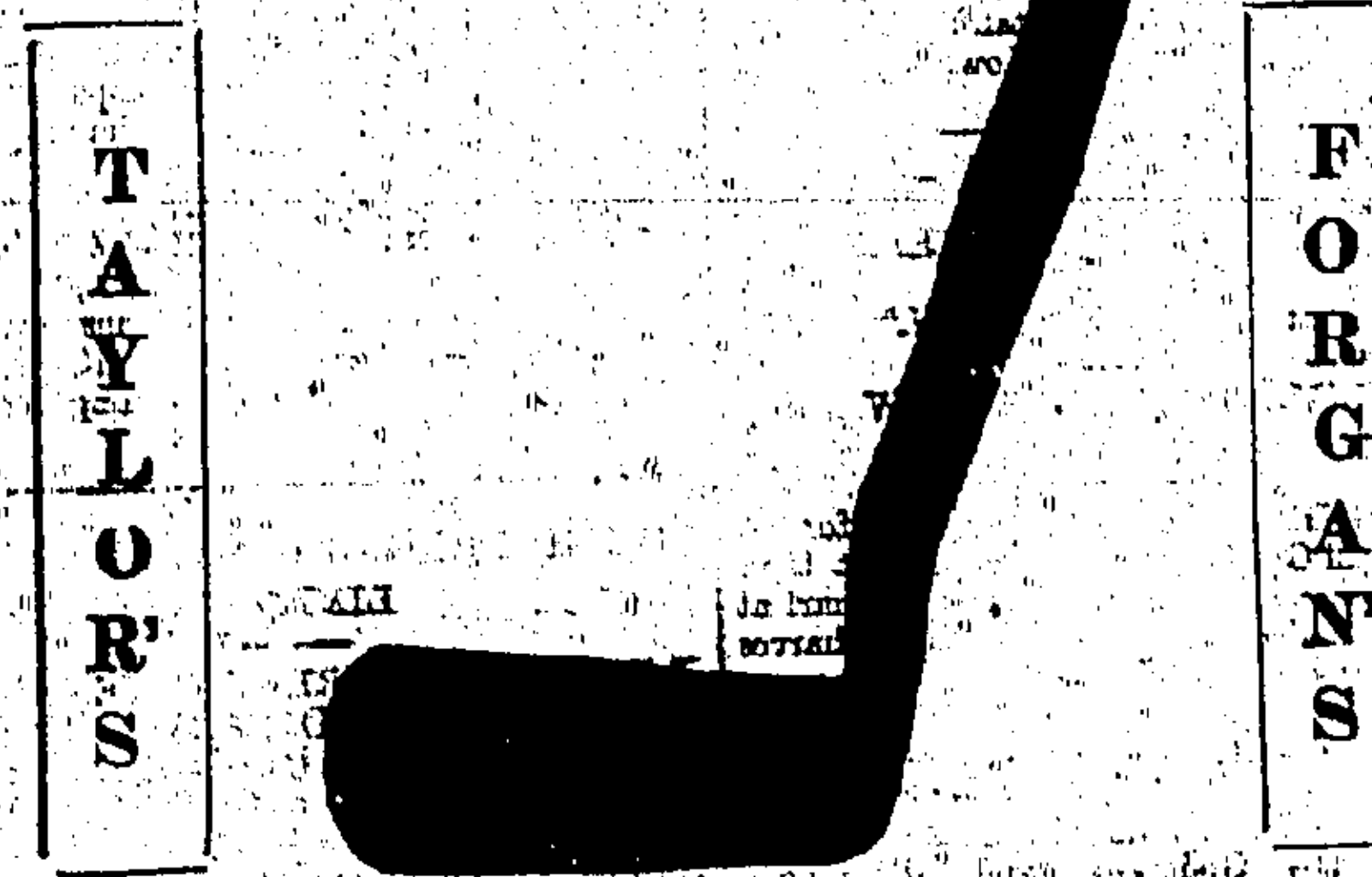
In the International Court at Bangkok on December 27th the case of the prosecution against Mr. A. Neubronner and others, on the charge of forging and uttering currency notes, was closed.

Giving evidence the next day, Mr. Neubronner, who pleaded not guilty to both charges stated that the Andamite prisoners were brought to his house by his Siamese compradore and he did not know them before. They rented a house in his compound, but he never visited the place or knew what was being done there, and he had never before seen the plant for manufacturing notes until it was produced in Court. He had never in his life sold any forged notes, and knew nothing about the sale in this house.

Defendant denied that forged notes were found in his possession. In cross examination he admitted for the past six or seven months he had been pressed by creditors and that two or three actions were pending. The case is proceeding.

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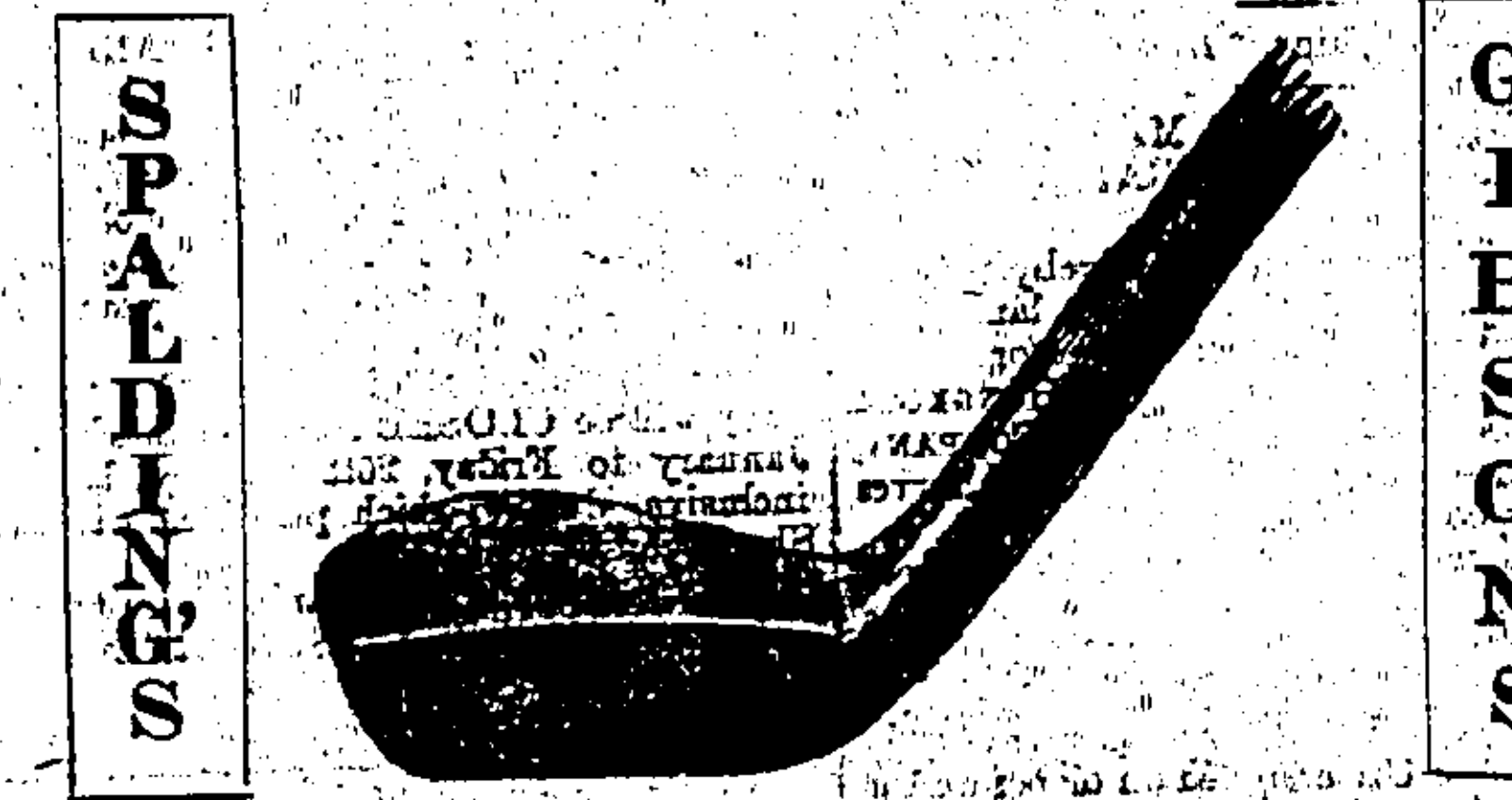
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THE ANNUAL MARATHON RACE in connection with the above will be held on **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19th**. Commencing at 4 p.m., over a Course of about 6 miles. Open to all Europeans in the Colony. Entries to be sent in before February 18th to the Hon. Secretary. For further particulars apply to **H. PENNY** (Hon. Secretary), 5, Kowloon Terrace, Kowloon.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

The Steamship "PATHAN" FROM LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW AND SINGAPORE

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Holy's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 14th inst. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst. will be subject to suit. All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 21st inst., or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th inst. at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors Messrs. GODDARD & DOWELL. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **DODWELL & CO., LTD.**, Agents.

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves & Godown Company, Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd inst. will be subject to suit. All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 21st inst., or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd inst. at 10 a.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.**, Agents.

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CONSIGNEES of cargo from ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON, per the above-mentioned steamer are hereby notified that the cargo has been transhipped at Singapore into the "BENLEDI," which steamer arrived at Hongkong on 15th Jan., 1923, and is now being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 22nd inst. will be subject to suit. All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 21st inst., or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd inst. at 10 a.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.**, Agents.

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NOTICE

THE HONGKONG AND CANTON ICE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on **THURSDAY, 25th day of JANUARY, 1923**, at noon for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1922. The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 25th January, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order, **THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.**, General Managers, (Sgd.) J. D. THOMSON, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 8th January, 1923. [183]

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on **FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY, 1923**, at 11.45 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, 17th January, to Friday, 26th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, **MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE**, Secretary. Hongkong, 9th January, 1923. [802]

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on **FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY, 1923**, at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, 17th January, to Friday, 26th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, **MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE**, Secretary. Hongkong, 8th January, 1923. [801]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on **FRIDAY, 30th JANUARY, 1923**, at 12.15 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, 17th January, to Friday, 26th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, **MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE**, Secretary. Hongkong, 11th January, 1923. [818]

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, at 3.30 p.m., **SATURDAY, the 3rd FEBRUARY, 1923**, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, 22nd January, to Saturday, 3rd February, 1923 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, **KAN TUNG PO**, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 14th January, 1923. [823]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE ONE HUNDRED and THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 44, DES VOEUX ROAD, on **TUESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY, 1923**, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors. THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, 29th January, to Tuesday, 13th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, **JOHN ARNOLD**, Secretary. Hongkong, 13th January, 1923. [219]

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1923.

FEBRUARY 22nd, MARCH 1st, 2nd & 3rd ENTRIES for the forthcoming Races close on **SATURDAY, 27th inst.**, at 3 p.m., and must be sent to the Jockey Club, Room 34, Chater Road, or before this date. Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club, STABLES, JOCKEY CLUB ROOM (Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road), RACE COURSE, HONGKONG CLUB and LIVERPOOL DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings. [157]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **ANTONIO H. BASTO, A.B.R.A. M.C.I.** has, from the 1st day of JANUARY, 1923, been admitted a Partner in our Firm, and NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that as from this Date our Firm Name will be **RAVEN & RAYEN**, Oriental Commercial Bank Buildings, Hongkong, January 10th, 1923. [314]

NOTICE

A BOY'S DECEASED. ALL persons having Claims against or owing Money to the Estate of the above named Deceased are required to file such Claims with or pay such Monies to the Underwriter within 3 Months from the Date of this Notice. The Claims of all persons failing to comply with this Notice will not be considered. Dated the 15th day of January, 1923. By Order of the Danish Probate Court for China, **WALLACE J. HANSEN**, Royal Danish Consul, Canton. [330]

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

WE the Members of the Undermentioned Guild, desire to express our Thanks to the Members of the BUILDING CONTRACTORS' GUILD for their Increment of Wages and Better Treatment. We are also indebted to the Hon. SECRETARY for CHINESE AFFAIRS, The Hon. DIRECTOR of PUBLIC WORKS, and Messrs. H. W. HIRD and W. L. LEASE for their valuable assistance in bringing both parties to terms. **BUILDING CARPENTERS' GUILD**, 138, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, January 15th, 1923. [321]

G. R.

NOTICE

IN accordance with Regulation 118 of the Traffic Regulations, 1920, the PUBLIC ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on and after the 18th day of JANUARY, 1923, the following Roads will be CLOSED TO TRAFFIC until further Notice:— (1) Wanchai Road between the Praya East and Queen's Road East. (2) Bowring's Canal Road East between the Praya East and Leighton Hill Road. **E. D. C. WOLFE**, Capt. Supt. of Police. 12th January, 1923. [325]

G. R.

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CAMPIN.—At Shanghai, on January 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. WILFRED CAMPIN, a son. LOSS.—At Shanghai, on January 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. LOSS, a daughter. ZAKIN.—At Shanghai, on January 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. L. F. VAN ZAKIN, a son.

MARRIAGES

DE COSIER-SMITH.—At Shanghai, LESTON HENRY DE COSIER, to MYSTIE PIERCE SMITH, of Richmond, Virginia, U.S.A. SHAW-ROGERS.—On January 8th, at St. James' Church, Swansea, THOMAS HENRY ROBERT SHAW of Shanghai, son of the late Thomas Shaw of Salt-coats, Ayrshire, to CONSTANCE, youngest daughter of PHILIP ROGERS, Uplands Crescent, Swansea. [233]

HONGKONG OFFICE: 101, DES VOEUX RD., C. LONDON OFFICE: 121, FINCH STREET, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 16th, 1923.

THE CHAOS IN CHINA.

The President of the Republic of China has recently been reminding the provinces of the conditions on which he accepted office. He stipulated for the abolition of the Tuchenate and the reduction of troops. All the provincial authorities, he says, endorsed his policy. And what has happened? "Heaven and Earth," he says, "can bear witness of the promises they made to me; but six months have now elapsed and there is no sign of the fulfilment of their pledges." Consequently he "loses his appetite" when he thinks of the deplorable state of the country. He tells the Provincial authorities that he has repeatedly tendered his resignation to Parliament, and "if a successor can be found in the morning" he is prepared to quit the capital in the evening. He would like to "save the nation," which can be done if the Tuchens are prepared to sacrifice their military power, but unless they do so "the nation will be doomed." Yet, in Chinese newspapers in the North bribery and corruption on an extensive scale has been imputed to the President in connection with political intrigues to secure

himself in office. President Li YUAN HUNG may be weak, but we believe him to be honest and anxious to get his political policies carried into effect. He is evidently up against a very strong movement to get Marshal TSAO KUN into the Presidency, which, of course, would be fatal to the policies which President Li YUAN HUNG pledged himself to carry out, by the aid of the Provincial Authorities. The new Prime Minister, General CHANG SHOU TANG, is regarded as the representative of the Paotingfu War Lord in Peking, and it has been remarked in the Chinese Press that the confirmation of his appointment by the Lower House "followed immediately upon the Paotingfu birthday party when the M.P.'s went en bloc to Paoting to offer their congratulations to Marshal Tsao, and to receive his instructions."

It looks, therefore, very much as if President Li YUAN HUNG's latest circular telegram to the Provincial authorities is in the nature of a "swan song." It is a vigorous denunciation of the Tuchens. "The nation," he says, "has reached the limit of endurance with the present position. During the past ten years, the militarists have disregarded the power of the Central Government, and have paid little attention to Parliament. They have made use of their military strength to bully the Central Government, taking advantage of its weakness. Extorting money from the people, these militarists have been fattening themselves and building up their fortunes out of the ruin and devastation of the public. They have made fearful sacrifices of the lives of their troops in order to obtain glory and to acquire more power. The people are living under constant fear and consternation, and the troops who have been fighting the whole year round are not even properly fed. Internal struggles are going on all the time among various parties, while the amount of foreign loans has been accumulating steadily. The condition is much more deplorable than heretofore, and the people are longing for a little rest and peace. If we do not set our house in order, foreign aggression will become more serious than ever. The people are demanding reforms. They would like to see the Ministry of War having full control of the troops, whose number should not exceed what is absolutely necessary for the purpose of national defence."

All this, and a great deal more to the same effect, we have been hearing for many years past, but, unhappily, there is small evidence of practical effort in the provinces to come to a general agreement on the subject. It is, however, all to the good that public attention should be focused on this imperative reform by pronouncements such as the President has just issued, for until it is accomplished we cannot hope to see a cessation of the internecine strife by which the nation has for so long been distracted.

The annual Marathon race in connection with St. Andrew's Church Men's Association is announced for Monday, February 19th.

In Shanghai papers last Friday General Chen Chung Ming was reported to be a fugitive from Canton. "It is 'an invention of the enemy' as Shanghai has probably learnt by this time.

The Finals of the Ladies' Open Champion Singles Tournament—(Mrs. Grimble v. Dr. Gladys Turner)—will be played at the Ladies' Recreation Club on Tuesday, January 23rd, at 3.30 p.m., when the Club will be at home to members and friends.—(Advvt.)

On Oon Kai, a passenger on board the steamer *President Harrison* from the Far East, was arrested at Seattle on a charge of smuggling jade jewelry. The officers searched the vessel and found one hundred and fourteen jars of opium in the galley and three boxes of ammunition and eight jars of gamshu.

An Associated Press message from Washington, dated January 8th states: "The Federal Telegraph Company announced to-day that commercial radio communication had been established between the United States and China. The stations at Hillsboro, Oregon, and Shanghai worked over a distance of 8,400 miles."

Mr. Wadsworth, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, introduced a bill Monday to extend the army reserve training camps to the Philippine Islands. The Bill declares that it is the purpose "to provide a more adequate defense of the islands and to prepare the people for an increasing measure of self government."

There were five cases of notifiable disease in the Colony over the week-end—two Chinese cases of diphtheria; one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever; and one Chinese case of puerperal fever.

The Hongkong Tramway Company opened its new service round Happy Valley yesterday. The track has been laid during the last two or three months as the result of the alterations carried out at the racecourse, and the new service will be of great assistance in coping with the crowds, which attend the annual race meeting and other sporting fixtures at Happy Valley. The Company, during the early mornings and early evenings, and at midday, intend to run a five-minute service. Between meal hours a quarter hour service is to be maintained.

It appears that Comrade Joffe's sojourn in Macao—or Hongkong—has been recommended by his physician. The Rosta News Agency (the Bolshevik agency in China) circulates the following bulletin which was issued by Professor Dr. Paul Kraig on December 30th: "There has been a medical consultation to-day in regard to the state of health of Mr. Joffe through Dr. Dipper, Wood, Bussiere, and Krieger. Mr. Joffe suffers from a tonic (toxic) Polymyositis post influenza; both nerves and muscles are especially affected, but the prognosis is good. The patient has to avoid a new influenza, if possible, and he has to get a good rest in a warmer, suitable place, for instance Macao or Hongkong."

VOLUNTEERS IN CAMP.

The Volunteer Defence went into Camp at Lowu for its annual period of training on Friday evening, Major Murdock acting as Commandant and Major R. B. Young as adjutant. On Sunday the camp was visited by Major-General Sir John Fowler who was pleased with the arrangements made for the local contingent. In the afternoon the K.E.O. Grenadiers gave an interesting exhibition of two companies in battle.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH RUSSIA'S AGENCY.)

PEKING POLITICAL MATTERS.

AUSTRIAN SHIPPING LOAN CONTRACT.

PEKING, January 14th. The Cabinet resolved yesterday that the Ministry of Finance shall not put into effect the Austrian Shipping Loan contract, as Parliament has not agreed thereto.

WANG CHUNG HUAL'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

PEKING, January 14th. A Mandate has announced the acceptance of the resignation of Wang Chung-hual from the post of Chairman of the Political Research Commission, which Chang Shou-teng will hold concurrently with the post of Premier.

ABOLITION OF LIKIN REFERRED TO CABINET.

PEKING, January 14th. Chang Kuo-yun, representing the united Chambers of Commerce, called on the President yesterday, requesting the issue of a Mandate abolishing likin. The President referred the matter to the Cabinet. Parliament has postponed the vote on the new Cabinet from Monday to Wednesday.

[BY COURTESY OF "DAILY BULLETIN."]

MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

PEKING, January 14th. A mandate issued last night appoints the former Chief of the Financial Department in Honan, Huang Tu Pi, as Vice-Minister of Justice.

"DISRAELI"

A NOTABLE FILM.

"Disraeli," a film version of a stage play based upon the fascinating life story of the great Earl of Beaconsfield, which was shown for the first time at the Coronet yesterday, amply fulfilled all that had been claimed for it in the advance announcements. The dramatist, Mr. Louis N. Parker, has retained all the sweetness of Disraeli's attachment to his wife and there is also the tender collateral romance between Viscount Desmond and the daughter of the Duke of Gloucester. Outstandingly brilliant is the performance of Mr. George Arless in the title role. His portrayal of the "mystery man" of British politics in the mid-Victorian era is unforgettable in its sympathetic handling and fine discrimination.

CABLES.

(THROUGH RUBBER'S AGENCY.)

RUBBER SHORTAGE.

PERTINENT REPLY TO AMERICAN APPREHENSION.

LONDON, January 14th.

Dealing with the American fears that a rubber shortage will soon result from the restriction scheme, *The Times* says some London authorities consider that if the United States manufacturers really believe in a serious shortage, they might avert it by paying the average price of eighteen pence per pound in February, March and April. The result would be that from January 3th restriction would be lessened by ten per cent., equivalent to an increase in supply of about 30,000 tons per year.

EARLIER CABLES.

FRANCO-GERMAN OUTLOOK

COAL TAX TO PAY FOR DELIVERIES.

PARIS, January 14th.

According to the newspapers, the German decision to resume the deliveries of coal, followed an assurance from the Allied engineers that the deliveries would be paid for by means of a tax on coal in the Ruhr, which amounts to forty per cent., whilst the deliveries to the Allies will not exceed twenty per cent. of the output; thus payment will only absorb half the tax. *The Echo de Paris* has a message from Düsseldorf stating that in no case will coal be paid for with French money.

PARIS, January 14th.

A telegram from Essen denies the report that the French experts have decided to pay for the coal deliveries in gold currency. *The Times* says payment for reparation coal may be made by the proceeds of the coal tax, which, owing to the occupation now extending almost all over the coalfield, will be levied by the Allies upon the entire output of the Ruhr.

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS IN GERMANY.

BERLIN, January 14th.

A number of protest meetings against the French occupation of the Ruhr have been held, including a great demonstration on the Königsplatz, opposite the Reichstag, which passed off without disturbance, not necessitating the intervention of the strong police forces precautionarily mobilized. Resolutions were submitted and unanimously adopted. The occasion was marked by the half-masting of flags on all Government buildings and the display of the Republican colours for the first time from several fashionable hotels. Patriotic songs were repeatedly sung, and there were frequently cries of "Down with France!"

ESSEN, January 14th.

Following a meeting of the inter-Allied engineers yesterday, it is believed the Allies will declare a further default by Germany regarding coal deliveries and demand that further pressure should be exerted against Germany.

FRANCO-GERMAN DIFFERENCES MAY CAUSE RUPTURE.

ESSEN, January 14th.

It is authoritatively learned that there was an obvious discrepancy between the French and German viewpoints disclosed at yesterday's inter-Allied meeting. The Germans declare that under the new arrangements France becomes a customer of the mines on a purely business basis, exactly corresponding with any ordinary purchaser. The French assert that their payments to the mines are simply sufficient to cover the salaries and working costs, and enable the mines to continue to produce. This discrepancy will undoubtedly be the main theme of to-day's meeting of the joint Franco-German commission. It is conceivable that it might lead to a rupture at a very early date.

NO LUXURY TAX FOR FRENCH TROOPS.

ESSEN, January 14th.

A decree has been issued relieving the French troops of the obligation to pay the luxury tax, and ordering a notification of all meetings to be given three days previously, together with the names of the organisers, time and place, and the probable attendance; also forbidding strikes or processions of uniformed persons, compelling posting up of price lists in German currency in all shops, and prohibiting German soldiers to cross from unoccupied into occupied territory.

GERMAN PUBLIC BECOMING RESTIVE.

PARIS, January 14th.

The Reparations Commission has received a note from the German Government intimating its intention to suspend the coal payments, also the deliveries in the Ruhr, which it considers a violation of the Treaty of Versailles.

ESSEN, January 14th.

A meeting of fifteen hundred officials and members of German Miners' Unions has passed a resolution condemning the French occupation as a violation of German freedom. A fiery speech by the President was warmly applauded. An incident is reported from the small town of Buer, where French soldiers on arrival were greeted with a shower of stones. None were injured. The French General announced that the German police superintendent would be punished.

LATEST CABLES.

THE NEAR-EAST.

GREEKS ACCUSED OF EXTERMINATING TURKS AND BULGARS.

SOFIA, January 14th.

It is semi-officially stated that the native Bulgarian and Turkish populations are being subjected to systematic terrorism and extermination in West Thrace and East Macedonia.

The situation is causing a widespread agitation, in Bulgaria particularly, as the outrages are described in Greek official communications as executions of combatants.

EARLIER CABLES.

RUSSIANS MORE REASONABLE ATTITUDE.

LAUSANNE, January 14th.

The Russian note to the Conference says the Russian, Ukrainian and Georgian delegations desire to reach a general agreement, not a rupture. They are conscious that only unanimous conclusions will lead to a stable situation in the Near East.

LATEST CABLES.

APOSTOLIC DELEGATE DEPORTED.

PART OF PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

MEXICO CITY, January 14th.

Monsignor Filippi will be deported to the United States as a "pernicious foreigner," and several others are being expelled on the same grounds. It is stated that this is President Obregon's first move in a campaign against the alleged Catholic aggressiveness.

EARLIER CABLES.

MEXICAN PRESIDENT ORDERS EXPULSION.

MEXICO CITY, January 14th.

It is announced that President Obregon has ordered the expulsion of the Apostolic Delegate Signor Filippi, owing to his participation in an open-air religious ceremony.

IRISH UPHEAVAL.

PROPOSAL TO ARM LOYAL CITIZENS.

LONDON, January 14th.

The seriousness of the situation in Ireland is emphasised by Mr. Stephen Gwynn. Writing to the *Observer* from Dublin, he says the Government is relying on an army which does not exceed thirty thousand men, and lacks skilled direction, to crush the rebels, but the army is not supported by the population, hence the recrudescence of outrages like the burning of mansions, attacks on rail, ways, and daring hold-ups of meetings held by the authorities, in attempts to kidnap public men. Mr. Gwynn hopes for better results from the appointment of General Murphy as director of operations, but is of opinion that any reorganisation should be accompanied by measures to arm trustworthy civilians in order to enable them to defend their own rights against the increasingly aggressive rebels.

LITHUANIAN REBELLION.

RAIDERS ESTABLISH A NEW GOVERNMENT.

BERLIN, January 14th.

A message from Heydekrug states that the Lithuanian raiders have established a new Government there with Simon Aitis as President. It is reported that Simon Aitis has requested the High Commission to withdraw the French from Memel.

OBITUARY.

MR. FREDERIC HARRISON.

LONDON, January 14th.

The death has occurred of the philosophic writer, Mr. Frederic Harrison.

EX-PREMIER RIBOT.

PARIS, January 14th.

The death is announced of the ex-Premier, M. Ribot.

Amongst the season's appeals which reach us is one from Dr. Barnardo's Homes for destitute children. The late Dr. Barnardo founded these homes 56 years ago and during that time, 94,000 children have been gathered in, loved and mothered, cared for and trained, and given a happy childhood, and placed out in the world, in the Mother country and in the Dominions, to earn their own living as healthy, honest, upright and God-fearing citizens. Gifts to assist the Homes should be sent to Rear-Admiral Sir Harry Sullivan (director), Dr. Barnardo's Homes, 18 to 25, Stepney Causeway, London, E. 1.

WEIHAIWEI.

NEW YEAR HONOURS.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

WEIHAIWEI, January 7th, 1923.

Our local *Government Gazette* of 2nd instant contains the following notification:

"It is notified for general information that a telegram has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies announcing that His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following appointments:

Arthur Powlett Blunt, Officer Administering the Government of this Territory, to be a Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George; William McEivon Muir, Senior Medical Officer of this Territory, to be a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Civil Division. It is further notified that His Majesty has been graciously pleased to approve the grant of the King's Police Medal to Inspector Alfred Whitaker and Inspector Frank Forsey, Inspectors of Police in this Territory."

Congratulations from all their friends, and this community in particular, to these recipients of well-deserved honour and official acknowledgment of public services rendered!

Mr. A. P. Blunt is a member of the Consular Service and did his bit in the Great War as a Captain in the Chinese Labour Corps. On demobilisation he was seconded for service at Weihaiwei and took up his work as Senior District Officer in the spring of 1919. Two years later, on the retirement of Sir James Lockhart, Mr. Blunt was appointed Acting-Commissioner. Latterly he has been the responsible task of representing The Colonial Office on the joint Retrocession Commission.

Dr. W. M. Muir has seen service under the Colonial Office both in Nigeria and at Weihaiwei for about 22 years. Here he has been Senior Medical Officer for the past 17 years.

Inspectors Whitaker and Forsey were formerly non-commissioned officers of the Chinese Regiment, and have been in charge of local police forces for 20 and 16 years respectively.

THE JOINT COMMISSION.

The Anglo-Chinese Commission negotiating the retrocession of Weihaiwei has broken up. Mr. M. T. Liang and his fellow-commissioners left this morning per s.s. *Kinging* for Tientsin and Peking, and with them have gone Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Giles. Mr. Giles has been representing The Foreign Office in the preparation of the "preliminary scheme" of redaction. Whether the scheme is complete, whether, if complete, it has met with the approval of the powers that be, are points yet to be made public. If one may hazard a guess, it would be that some hitch has occurred over details, and that the final stages in the negotiations will take place at Peking.

DAIREN'S AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

The automatic telephone service at Dairen is to be in operation in April. An article concerning the American automatic expert who is installing the system there says:

In February, 1921, he came to the Far East for the purpose of building the Exchange at Harbin, Manchuria, and in March, 1922, he came to Dairen to build the Exchange at Dairen, which is expected to be completed by April 10th, 1923. All the equipment has been received and set in place, and the next three months will be spent in testing it thoroughly.

He built some of the first Automatic Exchanges in the United States, and the first in Cuba where he taught the Spaniards to operate and maintain automatic exchanges.

Harbin being in Chinese territory, although entirely under Russian control, he was the first to teach the Russians how to operate and maintain automatics.

Lastly, at Dairen, where the first public exchange in Japanese territory is being installed, he is now busily occupied with teaching the Japanese to maintain and operate automatics.

A 600-line equipped private exchange was completed by last September in Tokyo, Japan, by Mr. E. M. Cohen, who is at present assisting in the Dairen installation.

Automatics is the only solution for first-class rapid telephone service, especially where the population is of mixed nationalities, automatics responding to every tongue.

As experienced by every one abroad, no little difficulty had been met with at Harbin between the New Town and the Chinese Quarter (Fuchien), before automatics was installed.

The linguistic difficulty is not the only problem confronting modern telephoning. The telephone management itself has its own troubles.

When a girl is well trained and has become a first-class operator, she often removes elsewhere or gets married, and for various reasons, leaves the service, so that it is continually necessary to break in new operators, which feature proves expensive and detrimental to the service.

MERRYWEATHERS' PURCHASE.

We are informed that the old-established and well-known business of Shand Mason & Co., Fire Engine Makers of Blackfriars, has been purchased by and is now incorporated with Merryweathers of Greenwich.

CHINA'S DEBTS.

The total indebtedness of the Republic, according to the detailed figures submitted to the Commission of the Redemption of the Domestic and Foreign Short Term Debts, approximately to two thousand million dollars, a small sum when contrasted with the colossal debts of Europe even if Provincial obligations, which are not referred to in the publication, are of equal amount. The latter can be safely ignored and were the country of the Customs, Salt and Railway revenues would suffice to find the twenty millions sterling required annually to provide interest on the total debt. In that event, presumably, the daily quotation of the ninety-six million dollars loan would shoot up from 24 to par to the profit of course, of the unscrupulous politicians who, at the behest of their military sponsors, have unloaded all this watered stock on to the Banks of which they are the founders and proprietors. If Hilaire Belloc is right that the common man in Europe "is not going to stand for it" we might anticipate some considerable ructions from the Chinese proletariat if the Turchans do not soon cease their meddling and interference with the Central Government and with each other. The worst, however, shows at present, no sign of turning, brigand enterprises being more in the nature of a political move than an economic upheaval.

A commission of Foreign Bondholders is, of course, the inevitable sequel of the present "squandermania" and it will most likely precede any foreign intervention occasioned by the insecurity of life and property. Where the security is ample Foreign Powers may prefer however to add interest to Principal and finance the Loan coupons in London, Paris and Yokohama rather than assist in making bogus domestic bonds circulate as value, and the attempt to forestall such action by imposing them as a first charge on the revised Customs tariff is a piece of smart tactics the may, or may not, prove successful. It is amusing to find that the liabilities running into ten figures the compiler of the schedule of Loans to which we are referring should state in regard to numbers 29 and 30 of "Statement D" which relate to advances of \$300,000 and Yen 30,000 "besides the \$300,000 already paid there is no way to clear up the outstanding amount" and "the payment of the debt has been postponed again and again. There is no possible way to clear up this debt." In such distress as this recourse might be had, one would think, to a few of the pieces of porcelain contained in the State Museum of Peking. But the gem of the annotations is found in a reference to the interest overdue on the Vickers Loan. The amount of principal outstanding is \$1,500,000. The Commission was told, made the decision to pay the interest \$1,500,000 with 10th Year 8 per cent. Bonds but owing to the objection raised by the Company against this decision, no settlement has been made. Asking for bread, and objecting to the substitution thereof of a stone, has not been unheard of before, but humour does not appear to have been the dominant note in the annotator's mind.

Amongst other surprising features of the report we find that a sum, not very clearly stated, but which appears of some magnitude is owing by the Ministry of War for cost of alcohol supplied. Even with this stimulus the alacrity "to go over the top" does not appear to be very pronounced on the part of the various Divisions. The fact was should be noted, however, that this is one of the obligations where the Nation got a run for its money only in the reverse direction to that intended. The record of the Government's position *vis-a-vis* the Banque Industrielle de Chine is also illuminating. It appears to have borrowed from the Bank itself 25,500,000 francs to acquire its share in the Bank capital. It has borrowed 120,000,000 francs on current account and for Pukow harbour improvements and it graciously authorised the Bank to pay itself a small advance of francs 250,000 out of dividends which might accrue to the Chinese Government on its share of the Bank's capital. There is a cheery note of optimism about Chinese Finance that is very refreshing. Mark Twain's waiter who gave the label off a bottle of wine and substituted another, the fact was should be noted, however, that this is one of the obligations where the Nation got a run for its money only in the reverse direction to that intended. The record of the Government's position *vis-a-vis* the Banque Industrielle de Chine is also illuminating. It appears to have borrowed from the Bank itself 25,500,000 francs to acquire its share in the Bank capital. It has borrowed 120,000,000 francs on current account and for Pukow harbour improvements and it graciously authorised the Bank to pay itself a small advance of francs 250,000 out of dividends which might accrue to the Chinese Government on its share of the Bank's capital. There is a cheery note of optimism about Chinese Finance that is very refreshing.

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SCOTTISH LETTER.

THE ELECTION IN SCOTLAND.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, November 22nd.

To the question, Stands Scotland where it did? the answer, politically, must be "Yes" and "No." The spirit of coalition, or at any rate of co-operation, is still alive. With one or two exceptions it was observed throughout the Scottish constituencies. But still even that has not served to keep Labour out. There are special, and to some extent transitory, reasons which may be held to account for the fact that Labour has been able to raise its Scottish representation in the House of Commons from 9 to 29. The main stronghold of Labour is in the industrial West, particularly in Glasgow, which is now represented by 10 Labourists, 4 Unionists, and 1 National Liberal. And in at least two of the Glasgow cases, it is clear that safe seats have been lost solely through the splitting of the Moderate vote. It is noteworthy that in Scotland, Labour holds no fewer than 9 seats on a minority vote.

The main element in the Labour success was discontent in the industrial areas of the Clyde, where unemployment is prevalent, particularly in the shipyards. Scotland as a whole has not gone Labour, only these and similar districts.

THE BENT ACT DECISION.

Another factor is the Bent Act decision. It is difficult to estimate what degree of influence this has exercised, but it has certainly been considerable. It has provided a very effective top-dressing for the Socialist seed and helped to bring up a thicker crop. The technical right of the tenant to recall money which has been illegally taken from him has been worked upon by base appeals and has been used to the utmost to stimulate the virus of Socialism in the community. On the eve of the poll in Glasgow a leaflet was issued stating that everybody who voted Labour would get his rent back. To the greedy and unreflecting no doubt that was a powerful as it was certainly an illegitimate bit.

MR. CHURCHILL AND SIR DONALD MACLEAN.

Perhaps the most striking individual feature of the election was Mr. Churchill's defeat in Dundee, where he sought a haven when rejected by Manchester in 1908. Whatever may be thought about the political views of Mr. Churchill, his defeat must on personal grounds excite sympathy. He rose from a sick bed in London and went to Dundee in what he and his friends knew was a last despairing effort to save his seat, and when he reached his constituency he was treated with a discourtesy which must for ever be a discredit to those unscrupulous sections of the electors who outraged in their behaviour every canon of decency and good taste. Mr. Churchill made a valiant but unavailing struggle. Controversy will be keen as to whether Mr. Churchill would have fared better had he continued to fight by proxy. Once on the scene he inevitably became deeply embroiled in the personal disputes arising out of the Liberal split, and of which the last has not been heard. Concurrently he waged bitter warfare with the Labourists.

It is remarkable that while the defeat of Mr. Churchill was the event of the hour, the defeat of Sir Donald Maclean at Peebles excited little interest. Nobody seemed to remember that he had led the "Wee Free" through years of trouble, and had been their safest councillor in many difficult crises.

There is an amusing side even to the caprice of the polls, and Dundee furnishes a choice example. The Tay-side city in which there is not a single "dry" ward, has chosen as one of its new M.P.'s a Prohibitionist—Mr. E. Scrymgeour—the first to enter Parliament on that "ticket." Whether this signifies a new orientation of Dundee's views on the drink question is another matter. More likely Dundee voted for a Prohibitionist, not because they wanted less John Barleycorn, but because they decided they had had too much of Winston Churchill!

The Labour cohort "nurtured ayont the Tweed" is creating somewhat of a sensation in London—perhaps because the newcomers are mostly men of unconventional appearance, and it is easier to write about them than about the average politician representing the "more respectable" parties. When these Scots are better known they will be treated at their true value, which is not very great, and the "Clyde atmosphere" will quickly dissipate itself at Westminster. Even Mr. Newbold, the Communist member for Motherwell—the first of his political "stripe" to enter the portals of St. Stephens, is not so dangerous, or even interesting as he looks. But he is picturesque enough, tall, square-shouldered, with thin lips, and a somewhat embittered expression.

SIR A. BORTH BYRONFOUNDER.

There is a mild sensation over the announcement that Sir A. B. Borth, M.P., is forsaking the law courts for the foundry. His appointment as director and vice-Chairman of Baldwin, Ltd., ironfounders, will create less surprise among those who knew the ex-Chancellor more intimately. During the war Sir Robert was associated with the Admiralty, and his was a familiar figure in the Clyde shipyards and engineering shops. Sir Robert has also family associations with the great iron and steel businesses in the West of Scotland, as his brother-in-law, Mr. Lamberton, is head of a big firm of ironfounders in Coatbridge. Indeed, the member for Hillhead made his sister's residence at Blairholm, Eastern Ayrshire, his headquarters on many of his political campaigns.

FROM CHINA TO WESTMINSTER.

Captain John P. Hay, O.S.T., M.A., B.Sc., the new Labour member for Cathcart Division of Glasgow—his return was due to split in the Unionist and National

ILLEGAL "TEA MONEY" AT SINGAPORE.

DRASTIC PROVISIONS OF THE NEW ORDINANCE.

A recent issue of the *Straits Times* says:

It is as well to draw the attention of the public that the Premiums (Leases) Ordinance recently introduced and passed through the Legislative Council has now become law. His Majesty not having been advised to disallow it.

Briefly the Ordinance makes it illegal for any Landlord or Agent of any Landlord, Tenant or Sub-tenant, to receive any premium or consideration for granting or renewing any Lease or Agreement for the tenancy of any house, building, or part of same, or for the surrender of any such tenancy unless the payment is expressly provided for by a written document. Such document must be forthwith presented for inspection to the Municipal Commissioners or to the Rural Board of the area in which the house or building is situate.

The penalty for breach of this section of the Ordinance is on conviction before a District Court, a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or in default imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding twelve months. It is also provided that any consideration so paid may be recovered by the person paying it.

Two other important sections are included in the Ordinance. One making it compulsory that a receipt in the English language shall be given to every tenant for rent paid, under the penalty of a \$50 fine or imprisonment for one month; the other making it an offence punishable by a fine of \$500 or imprisonment for six months, for a Landlord to knowingly give a receipt which is incorrect in any material fact.

It is hoped that this Ordinance will have the effect of putting a stop to the squeeze of a certain class of Agents and Collectors who make a practice of extorting tea money from tenants, which seldom if ever goes into the pockets of their principals.

It is as well the Public should become acquainted with the Ordinance and their rights under it, especially now the Rent Restriction Ordinance is shortly becoming operative.

Liberal vote—is a native of Sunnyside, Coatbridge, where he was born in 1878. A teacher under Glasgow School Board, he afterwards entered the Free Church Normal Training College, and studied in Glasgow University, where he graduated M.A. He is a B.Sc. of London University. In 1908 he went to China as missionary professor in the Manchuria Christian College, and he remained there until 1915, when he returned to join the Army. He was an artillery officer in France, and was subsequently, owing to his intimate knowledge of Chinese, transferred to the Chinese Corps as technical adviser. For his services in this connection Captain Hay was awarded by the Chinese Government the distinction, rare for a British officer, of the Order of the Striped Tiger. Captain Hay joined the Labour party after leaving the Army. At present he is a teacher in Abercorn School, Paisley.

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A flagrant example of the way in which the springs of public generosity may be poisoned was revealed in Glasgow Sheriff Court, when 15 women flag day collectors were convicted on their own admission of robbing the

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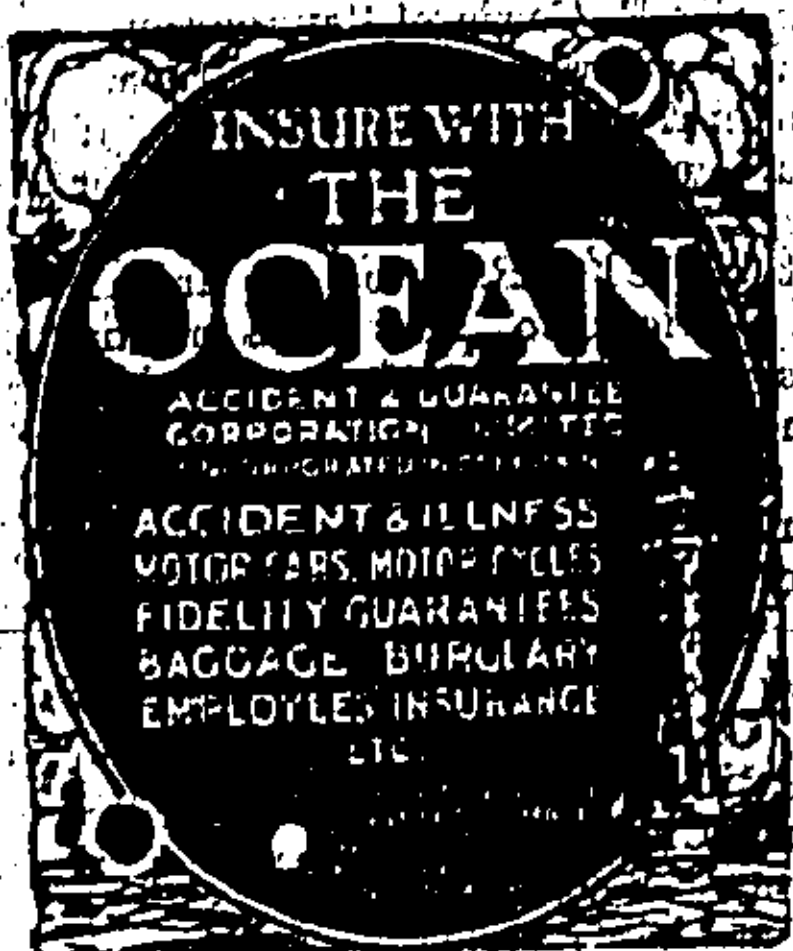
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PARIS FASHION NOTES.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT,
HAROLD RAMSAY.]

Paris, December 4th.
Shoes are a marvel of daintiness and
decoration this season more than ever
before. Women are now wearing in the
street shoes which would have been con-
sidered flimsy and low-cut to the extent of
being vulgar if worn in a drawing-room
ten or twenty years ago. Shoes are
showing so much of the instep and the
side of the foot that the only real part of
the shoes seems to be the sole. The most
popular vamps are long, with pointed toes
and decidedly high heels. Some bottiers
are trying to bring about a return to toes
rather less pointed by making models with
toes which are a compromise between the
needle-point and the round stubby toe, but
it yet remains to be seen whether such a
wish on the part of bottiers will find an echo
in the heart of women of fashion.

For evening wear, there are satin and
suede shoes, ornamented with sparkling
bead embroideries. These are to be seen
in white, silver, grey and as well as in
every bright shade to match the fashion-
able, bright-colored evening dresses, with
which they are to be worn. A brilliant
effect is created by decorating one's white
satin shoes with diamonds, especially if the
whole of the front width is covered in this
way. White or ivory satin ornamented in
this manner looks wonderfully smart and
effective.

Brown shoes are very popular, too, be-
cause so much brown is being worn this
season and brown is a shade that adapts it-
self so easily to any shade of this useful
colour. The brocade shoe is another variety
which always finds favour in feminine eyes,
as it can be worn with so many different
types of dresses, proving its right to be
considered economical as well as becoming.
As to the black satin shoe, it would be hard
to imagine an age when this attractive form
of footwear was not in vogue. Just now it
is much favoured by women who have
arrived at an age when they put comfort
before originality and style. A satin
shoe which can be worn in the street
as well as for purely evening wear is
in a rich kind of prunella, and the plain
effect of ordinary satin is still further taken
off by means of rows of fine stitchings in
grey or red silk. The court shoe is an-
other invention which is, apparently, as
difficult to do away with as the satin even-
ing shoe. In Paris, it is being worn ex-
tensively for day as well as evening wear, in
satin and fancy materials just as much as
in kid and patent leathers.

For those who prefer the latest novelties,
there are shoes for day wear with long,
high vamps that cover up the instep and
are cut up the front into tiny straps, each
of these being ornamented with a glass
button or bead; in black, this is particu-
larly becoming as the beads are graduated
at the top; strap is left with quite a small
one. Other models of this type have
straps and borders in patent leather that
are hand-painted; such a trimming is seen
to advantage on suede shoes.

Harnessing the evening shoe to the
ankle is another new idea. Some shoes
are made with a high piece at the back to
which are fastened two straps—one
reaching just about the ankle, and the
other just below it. This idea is not only
original, but it certainly provides a good
safeguard against ankle-turning. There
is far more strapping than any other form
of decoration to be seen on shoes, but a
quantity of Langry shapes have recently
made their appearance and show signs of
becoming popular with the multitude be-
fore long. These are trimmed with
wonderful buckles or fantastic finishings
of all kinds of cockades made of ribbon,
feathers, or ruchings of similar material
to one's dress.

Some of the latest street models come up
over the ankle. These are known by the
name of "botkins" and they are made of
soft glass kid in such colours as apple-green,
scarlet and royal blue. They pull right
over the foot, and some are bound round the
edge with fur.

Amongst the fancy skins which are being
used for the fashioning of street shoes are
turkey skin, suede and crocodile. Apart
from these exceptions, patent leather and
glass kid remain the chief glory of bottiers
and the elegantes for whom they spend their
time, designing and fashioning attractive
footwear.

The well-dressed woman in Paris has re-
turned to the wearing of dark-colored
stockings for street wear. For the past two
years or so there has been a perfect rage
for the wearing of grey or fawn-colored
stockings, with black shoes, in the street
in preference to black stockings. It was
quite rare to see women who had any pre-
ference to being well-dressed wearing stock-
ings in a darker shade than either of these
two. Even tan was considered too dark,
and fawn or light grey stockings con-
tinued to be worn with tan as well as with
black shoes. Finding no doubt, that the
custom has become rather too common,
they are now returning to the old fashion
of wearing black hose with black shoes, and
tan or brown hose with tan or brown shoes.

The Parisienne rarely tolerates any kind
of "stocking" but the silk one, and even
on bitter cold days, when the thermometer
is far below freezing point, you will still
see her hurrying about in stockings of
transparent fineness. Little midnettes
and others of the vast army of badly-paid
workers, who cannot aspire to such luxuries
follow suit as best they can with fine-lisle
or cotton hose. One way they get over
the difficulty of suffering from cold feet and
chillblains in order to continue to appear
in transparent stockings in the winter
is to wear "prolegs" (or footlets) in
wool or felt thread. These not only
keep the feet warm, but they provide a
most excellent means of preventing stock-
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In fact, even when the question of extra
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eration, it is as well to wear footlets in lisle
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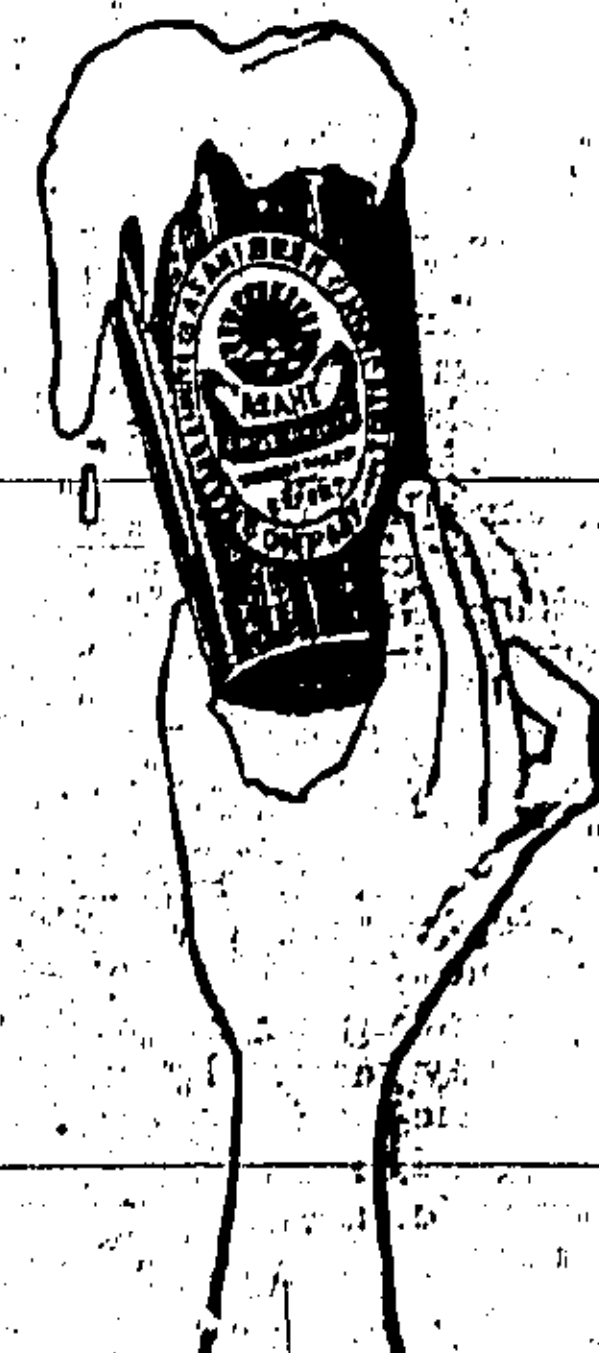
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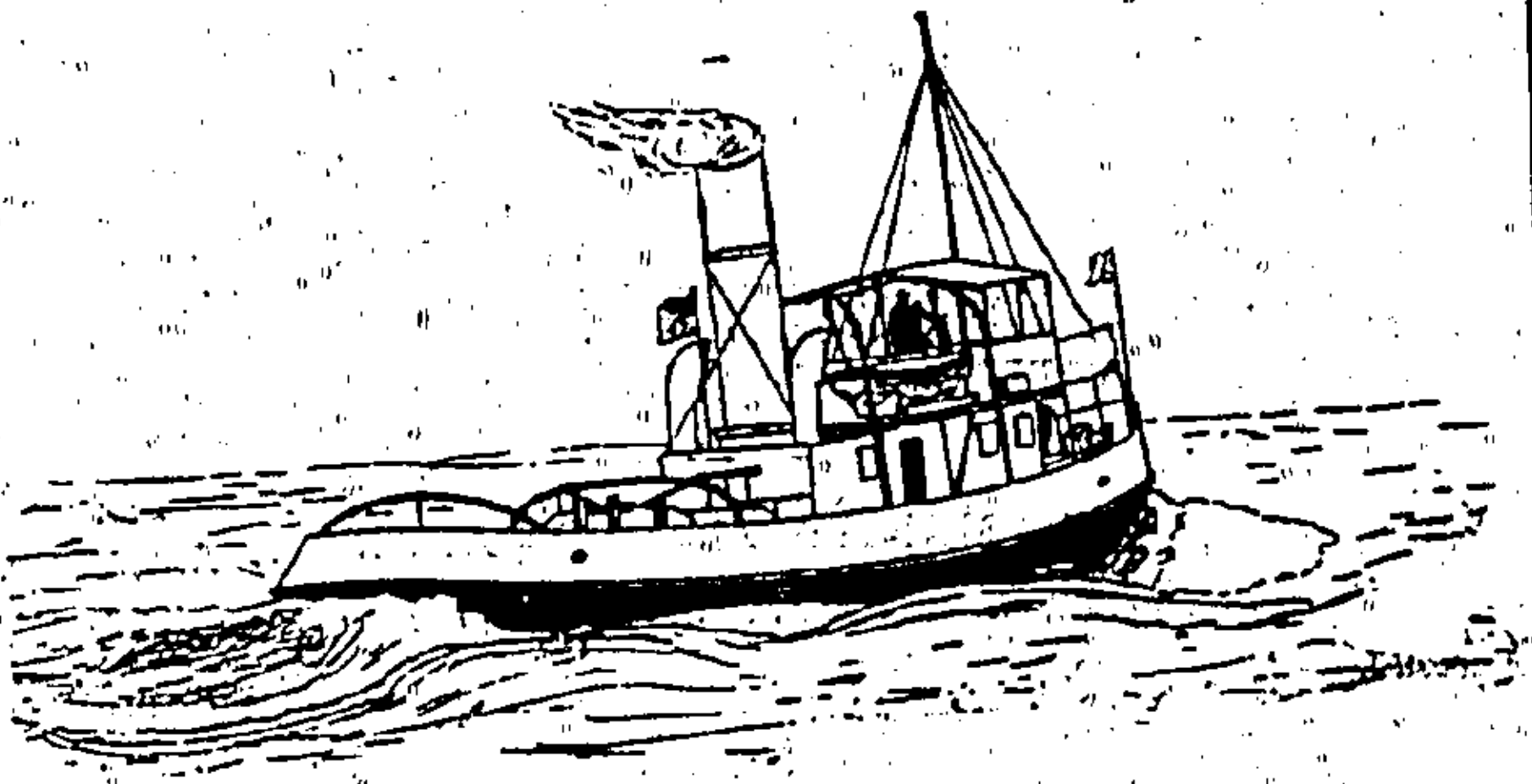
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Sir Basil Thomson, in the course of a lecture in New York, last month, on Scotland Yard, declared that he had authentic information that the German General Staff compelled the Kaiser to sign the order for the invasion of Belgium under the threat that they would force his abdication.—*Central News.*

THE "VINDICTIVE" MEMORIAL.

The contractor who is destroying the *Vindictive* has handed over to the town of Ostend the bow and other portions of the cruiser which are to form part of a monument to be erected in commemoration of the sinking of *Zeebrugge* and Ostend by the British fleet.

WHITE CITY SOLD.

In the presence of a fair gathering, the world-famous Shepherd's-bush Exhibition estate, the White City, with its buildings and over 100 acres of land, was sold under the hammer, last month, Mr. Eustace Campbell Gray, of the London Theatres of Varieties, Ltd., being declared the purchaser at £500,000. Mr. Gray stated that it was his intention to open the place as an exhibition next spring.

LONDON IN DARKNESS.

A wireless message from England to India on November 22nd said:—Since noon London has been in complete darkness. The ordinary fog which often prevails in November has been supplemented by a great smoke cloud, the accumulation of which overhead has been favoured by an extraordinary stillness of atmosphere. Experts have been busy calculating the amount of soot suspended in the air.

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OVER AN AUTHOR'S HEAD.

UNPUBLISHED KIPPLING MANUSCRIPT.

Sir John Foster Fraser, writing in the *Evening Standard*, says that the offer by a London bookseller to sell for 800 guineas an early unpublished manuscript by Rudyard Kipling which he does not remember having written, raises the important question as to whether a private individual is entitled to make money out of a manuscript against the wishes of the author who never intended to publish it.

The manuscript is entitled "At the Pit's Mouth: the Personal Recollections of Duncan Parrenness." It is a satire on Anglo-Indian Society.

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Sir Archibald then bought the plant himself, in his own name, and received the assistance of the Ministry of Munitions. He recommended the establishment of a plant in France, but this was delayed. Major Ellis then set up his machine, with the result that he saved the country £600,000.

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Osaka Hotel	Nagasaki	Osaka Hotel
Tokyo Hotel	Yokohama	Yokohama Hotel
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ARRIVALS.

January 14th.

Horse Maru, Japanese str., 1,070 tons, Capt. T. Ishigaki, from Pakhoi, with rice.—Y.K.K.

Tanda, British str., 4,238 tons, Capt. J. A. Davidson, from Kobe, with a general cargo.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

January 15th.

Asahi Maru, Japanese str., from Canton. *Benlei*, British str., 2,500 tons, Capt. E. Watters, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Chengtu, British str., 1,335 tons, Capt. A. McEachran, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Shang Hing, Chinese str., 240 tons, Capt. Leung San Kong, from K. C. Wan, with a general cargo.—Heong On & Co.

Heijun Maru, Japanese str., from Canton.

Hwah Hsin, Chinese str., 992 tons, Capt. J. Freymann, from Bangkok, with rice.—Kin Tye Loong.

Kam Yung Fat, Chinese str., 440 tons, Capt. G. A. de Souza, from K. C. Wan, with a general cargo.—Po On & Co.

Kwongshing, British str., 1,425 tons, Capt. W. F. Richard, from Swatow, with a general cargo.—J. M. & Co.

Placuna, British str., 3,104 tons, Capt. A. Harrison, from Balak Papan, with liquid fuel.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

Pongtong, British str., 1,001 tons, Capt. Smith, from Saigon, with rice.—Carmichael & Clarke.

President Cleveland, American str., 8,040 tons, from San Francisco, with a general cargo.—Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

Scitien, British str., 1,421 tons, Capt. D. Thomas, from Hoibow, with a general cargo.—Kuo Seng.

Sun Yung, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. W. Shann, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Tailee, Chinese str., from Canton.

Van Overstraten, Dutch str., 2,837 tons, Capt. J. J. Claassen, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—J. C. J. L.

William Penn, American str., 4,837 tons, Capt. Wright, from Aloilo, with a general cargo.—Admiral Oriental Line.

Wingang, British str., from Canton.

CLEARANCES.

January 14th.

Chitaya Maru, for Foochow.

January 15th.

Amherst, for Hoibow.

Banyet Maru, for Foochow.

Glymont, for Hongay.

Hailon, for Hoibow.

Hagatori Maru, for Takau.

Hsinpingan, for Macao.

Hydranga, for Swatow.

Kam Yung Fat, for K. C. Wan.

Kwangtung, for Swatow.

Kwongshing, for Canton.

Protea, for Canton.

Sungang, for Canton.

Tailee, for Foochow.

Theresa, for Singapore.

Wugo Maru, for Chinwangtao.

Yingchow, for Amoy.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Autolycus (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 8th. *Delta* (P. & O.), due to-day, noon. *Empress of Russia*, due Jan. 19th, 10 a.m. *Helenus* (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 3rd. *Kashima Maru* (N.Y.K.), due to-day. *Pelesus* (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 25th. *President Pierce* (P.M.), due Jan. 21st. *President William* (Pacific Mail), due Feb. 4th. *Rhesus* (Blue Funnel), due Jan. 26th. *Telemachus* (Blue Funnel), due Feb. 4th. *Yoshino Maru* (N.Y.K.), due to-day.

PASSAGE REDUCTION BY THE LLOYD TRIESTINO.

Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., agents of the Lloyd Triestino inform us that they have received telegraphic advice from their Principals that they have decided to reduce the saloon passage fare from Hongkong to Brindisi, Venice and Trieste to £80. This reduction comes in force immediately.

A PASSENGER'S HONESTY.

AND A STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S APPRECIATION.

A striking example of honesty has been revealed through the publication of an incident in the current issue of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Travel Bulletin. It appears that a certain gentleman—now residing in E. Island wrote to the N.Y.K. London Office some time last year, to the following effect:

"I find that there is a bill of £36 15s. owing from me to you for my daughter who travelled half-price in 1914, from China to London, when she was over the age limit. Please accept the enclosed cheque and my regrets for this occurrence."

The passenger and his daughter took passage by the *Kifano Maru* from Shanghai to London eight years ago. Evidently through some misunderstanding and without any wrong intention on his part, he failed to pay the full fare for his daughter at the time of booking; hence his subsequent remittance of the balance of the passage money.

The N.Y.K. London Office referred the above letter to the Head Office, whereupon the management accepted the money with thanks, and in appreciation of the honesty of the former passenger, they decided to grant him a special reduction of 15 per cent. on a passage, whenever he should happen to travel by one of the company's steamers.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Australia* from Hongkong on December 22nd arrived at Vancouver on January 11th.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Takao Maru*, (Bombay line) left Bombay for Hongkong and Singapore on January 13th, and is expected here on January 30th.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Kamo Maru* (European line) left Shanghai for Hongkong on January 13th, and is expected here on January 18th.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Shanghai on January 13th, at 7.30 p.m., left on January 14th, at 8 p.m., and is due at Manila on January 17th, at 8 a.m.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Takao Maru* (European line), left Singapore for Hongkong on January 15th, and is expected here on January 18th.

The Cunard Line s.s. *Laconia* left Shanghai on January 14th for this port via Keelung, and is expected to arrive here at daylight on January 17th.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying in the Great Northern Telegraph Company's office at Hongkong:

Number	Address	From
Doimaisa	Dairen	From
Hiran Mafai	Wladivostok	From
Igatawa	Yokohama	From
Yuewhing	Tsingtau	From
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7777	Hotel	Shanghai
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Kwangle	Shanghai	Shanghai
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Number	Address	From
413/7th	Harding oil	New York
1318/3rd	Harry Great	Eastern Hotel, Bangkok
6810/11th	Scaleton	Calcutta
643/11th	Strahanweb	Birmingham

WEATHER REPORT.

Jan. 15th, at 11.05—Pressure has decreased very considerably over S.W. Japan, under the influence of a depression which formed over the lower Yangtze Valley yesterday and is now approaching Nagasaki.

Changes in southern districts are slight. Another anticyclone may be forming over N. China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., 15th Jan., 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.00 inches, against an average of 0.41 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon, 16th Jan., is as follows:

District	Forecast
Hongkong to Gap Rock	N.W. to N.E. winds, freshening; fine to cloudy.

Formosa Channel ... The same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooka ... The same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Haicun ... The same as No. 1.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 15th.				
	Previous Day	On Date	On Date	At
	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	2 p.m.	
Barometer	30.91	29.96	29.94	
Temperature	64	64	72	
Humidity	75	9	69	
Wind Direction	E	Calm	WSW	
Force	3	0	2	
Weather	0	cm	0	
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Highest open-air Temperature on 14th	64			
Lowest open air Temperature on 15th	63			

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Jan. 16th to 22nd, 1923.

		High Water		Low Water	
Days of Week	Days of Month	H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	16	10 5	4 4	3 9	0 7
Wed.	17	10 45	4 6	3 45	0 8
Thurs.	18	10 40	4 5	3 40	0 8
Fri.	19	10 35	4 5	3 35	0 8
Sat.	20	10 30	4 5	3 30	0 8
Sun.	21	10 25	4 5	3 25	0 8
Mon.	22	10 20	4 5	3 20	0 8

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"DONGOLA"	4,500	5th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"SICILIA"	4,500	5th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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